

October 2nd, 2019

Mr. Alan Spacek, Chair
Municipal Property Assessment Corporation
1340 Pickering Parkway, Suite 101
Pickering ON
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Dear Mr. Spacek,

RE: Farm Assessment Issues

On behalf of the 38,000 farm family members of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA), congratulations on your recent appointment as Chair of MPAC's Board of Directors.

OFA has worked closely with MPAC and we look forward to continuing our work. Together, we have worked to help Ontario farmers understand how their property assessments are determined. Farm properties are one of the most complex property types to classify and assess. It is not uncommon for different parts of the farm to be partitioned into residential, farm, commercial and even industrial depending on the use of farmland and buildings.

We have also worked together in addressing many farm assessment issues. With that in mind, OFA would like to meet with you soon to discuss the preliminary farm and residential assessed values for the next province-wide Assessment Update and some farm property assessment issues of concern to our OFA Members.

I ask that you please contact OFA Senior Farm Policy Analyst, Ben Le Fort (ben.lefort@ofa.on.ca, 519-821-8883 ext. 222) with possible meeting dates.

Sincerely,



Keith Currie
President

cc: OFA Board of Directors